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Historic American Buildings Survey Wm. G. Dorr, District Officer 702 Wesley Temple Bldg. Minneapolis, Minn. PUBLIC LIBRARY
Branch Street
Taylors Falls, Chisago
County
Minnesota

Owner: Taylors Falls.

Date of Erection: 1853.

Architect and Builder: No record.

Present Condition: Good.

Number of Stories: One.

Materials of Construction: Wood.

Other Existing Records: None.

Additional Data: See following pages.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY Branch Street

Taylor's Falls, Chisago County Minnesota

## HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL NOTES:

This building was originally a residence erected in 1853 by a Mr. Stannard. In 1887, from an organization begun in 1871, it became a library, the first in Minnesota. It has fifteen hundred books.

Mr. Stanard was a member of the 13th Minnesota Legislature, and co-author of the legislation creating the Minnesota School Fund.

The Library has some interesting Victorian Gothic "birthday cake" ornament, such as pendants, jigsaw pieces, quatre-foils and spindles. The building consists of but two rooms and a shed at the rear. Somehow, the place has the look of a Swiss chalet.

Source: Record of the Libray "Minutes" in possession of Mrs. Murdoch, Taylors Falls.

Wm.G.Dorr District Officer

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